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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended). A refuse container, comprising:

a generally semi-tubular container formed from molded plastic having a closed bottom end having a substantially circular configuration and an open end having a substantially D-shaped configuration, the D-shaped configuration open end having left and right curved side edges with a flat lower edge, the container having rounded side walls which run from the open end to the substantially circular configuration at the bottom end of the container, the container having a generally flat side wall, the flat side wall being larger in width at the open end of the container than the closed end of the container with a non-rectangular-shaped flat side wall portion on the container;

a left handle molded adjacent to the left curved edge of the D-shaped open end;
a right handle molded adjacent to the right curved edge of the D-shaped open end;

and

a top handle molded adjacent to at an apex portion of the D-shaped open end located substantially midway between the left handle and the right handle, the top handle being opposite to the flat lower edge of the D-shaped open end of the container from the non-rectangular-shaped flat side wall portion; and

a plurality of parallel longitudinal indentations in the flat side wall of the container running from a portion approximately adjacent to the D-shaped open end to an

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opposite portion adjacent to the closed end of the container, the parallel longitudinal
indentations for reinforcing and strengthening the container, and wherein the top handle
along with the right handle and the left handle are for allowing the container to be
physically moved from a standing upright position to a side oriented position with
~~nonrectangular~~ container laying on the nonrectangular flat side wall so that the flat lower edge of the D-
shaped open end of the container abuts against a ground surface in order to allow the
container to be filled with debris, and the top handle with the right handle and the left
handle for allowing the container to be easily moved back to the standing position, and
wherein the top handle and the right handle and the left handle are the only handles on
the container.

Claim 2(Currently Amended). The refuse container of claim 1, wherein the non-
rectangular shaped flat side wall portion top handle with the right handle and the left
handle forms includes: a substantially equal sided triangular configuration with the top
handle at an apex to the triangular configuration.

Claims 3-4(Canceled).

Claim 5(Original). The refuse container of claim 1, further comprising:
an angled ramp along a flat edge portion of the open mouth end of the container
for allowing debris to be easily swept into the container.

Claim 6(Original). The refuse container of claim 5, wherein the angled ramp includes:
a straight upwardly sloping planar ramp portion.

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Claim 7(Original). The refuse container of claim 6, wherein the angled ramp further

includes:

a rounded blunt tip leading to the straight upwardly sloping planar ramp portion.

Claim 8(Original). The refuse container of claim 5, wherein the angled ramp includes:

an approximately 24 inch long flat edge portion for allowing an approximately 24 inch broom and an approximately 24 inch rake to be able to move and slide debris fully into the container.

Claim 9(Original). The refuse container of claim 7, wherein the angled ramp includes:

an approximately 24 inch long flat edge portion for allowing an approximately 24 inch broom and an approximately 24 inch rake to be able to move and slide debris fully into the container.

Claim 10(Original). The refuse container of claim 1 further including:

only non-sharp angled interior surfaces inside of the container so that debris easily slides inside of the container towards the closed bottom end.

Claims 11-12(Canceled)

Claim 13(Original). The refuse container of claim 1, further comprising:

a lid having for being hingedly attached onto the open end of the container to close off the open end of the container.

Claim 14(Original). The refuse container of claim 1, further comprising:

at least one wheel snapably mountable to the bottom end of the container for allowing the container to be easily mobile.

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Claim 15(Original). The refuse container of claim 1, further comprising:

a holder molded onto an outer side wall of the container for allowing a handle of an implement to slide into the holder and be held in place parallel to and alongside of the container, the implement being chosen from one of: a rake, a broom, a hoe, and a shovel to be carried by the container.

Claim 16(Original). The refuse container of claim 1, further comprising:

a removable lid on the container for closing off the container, the lid having at least one small opening for allowing a handle of an implement to slide into the opening and be held in place on top of the container, the implement being chosen from one of: a rake, a broom, a hoe, and a shovel to be carried by the container.

Claims 17-20(Canceled).

Claim 21(New). The refuse container of claim 1, wherein the plurality of parallel longitudinal indentations includes at least three parallel longitudinal indentations in the flat side wall of the container, the at least three parallel longitudinal indentations for reinforcing and strengthening the container.

Claim 22(New). The refuse container of claim 1, further comprising:

a plurality of parallel longitudinal indentations in the rounded side walls of the container running from the portion approximately adjacent to the D-shaped open end to the opposite portion adjacent to the closed end of the container, the parallel longitudinal indentations for reinforcing and strengthening the container.

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Claim 23(New). The refuse container of claim 22, wherein the plurality of parallel longitudinal indentations in the rounded side walls includes:

a left longitudinal indentation running behind the left handle;
a top longitudinal indentation running behind the top handle; and
a right longitudinal indentation running behind the right handle, wherein the left, the top and the right longitudinal indentations are parallel to one another.

Claim 24(New). A plastic molded refuse container, comprising:

a generally semi-tubular container formed from molded plastic having a closed bottom end with a substantially circular configuration and an opposite open end having a substantially D-shaped configuration, the D-shaped configuration open end having left and right curved side edges that meet together along an apex portion, and a flat lower edge having a blunt tip and a sloping ramp portion starting from the blunt tip and running into an interior portion of the container, the container having rounded side walls which run from the open end to the substantially circular configuration at the bottom end of the container, the sloping ramp portion having at least an approximately 24 inch wide opening for allowing an approximately 24 inch broom and an approximately 24 inch rake to be able to move and slide debris fully into the container, the container having a generally flat side wall running from the flat lower edge to the bottom end, the flat side wall being larger in width at the open end of the container than a rear portion adjacent to the closed end of the container;

an exterior left handle molded in the rounded side walls of the container adjacent to the left curved edge of the D-shaped open end;

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an exterior right handle molded in the rounded side walls of the container adjacent to the right curved edge of the D-shaped open end;

an exterior top handle molded in the apex portion of the D-shaped open end, the top handle being located substantially midway between the left handle and the right handle, the top handle being opposite to the flat lower edge of the D-shaped open end of the container, and the right handle and the top handle and the left handle forming a triangular configuration;

at least three parallel longitudinal indentations in the flat side wall of the container running from a portion approximately adjacent to the D-shaped open end to an opposite portion adjacent to the closed end of the container, the at least three parallel longitudinal indentations for reinforcing and strengthening the container;

a left longitudinal indentation located behind the left handle and running in the rounded side walls of the container from the portion approximately adjacent to the D-shaped open end to the opposite portion adjacent to the closed end of the container;

a top longitudinal indentation located behind the top handle and running in the rounded side walls of the container from the portion approximately adjacent to the D-shaped open end to the opposite portion adjacent to the closed end of the container;

a right longitudinal indentation located behind the right handle and running in the rounded side walls of the container from the portion approximately adjacent to the D-shaped open end to the opposite portion adjacent to the closed end of the container, wherein the left, the top and the right longitudinal indentations are parallel to one another and are for providing strength and reinforcement to the container, and wherein the top handle along with the right handle and the left handle are for allowing the container to be

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physically moved from a standing upright position to a side oriented position with container laying on the flat side wall so that the flat lower edgcs of the D-shaped open end of the container abuts against a ground surface in order to allow the container to be filled with debris, and the top handle with the right handle and the left handle for allowing the container to be easily moved back to the standing position, and wherein the top handle and the right handle and the left handle are the only handles on the container, and wherein all components of the container are molded in the container.